

Juveniles Arrested for Multiple Carjackings and Felony Crimes- New Castle County

New Castle County- Delaware State Police arrested multiple juveniles on felony criminal charges after troopers, and other Delaware police agencies have been investigating several carjacking incidents over the past week and a half.

On April 8, 2021, a 16-year-old male and a 15-year-old female stole the car keys to a female customers' vehicle at Wawa located at East Chestnut Hill Road, Newark. The victim was assaulted at the front of the business. Once the suspects entered the stolen vehicle, they steered in the direction of the victim and struck her with the car, causing an injury to a lower extremity.

On April 9, 2021, two 16-year-old males stole the car keys to a female customer's black Dodge Challenger at Exxon located at 3700 Philadelphia Pike, Claymont. The victim chased the suspects who fled in other stolen vehicles parked in the Exxon parking lot. The suspects returned to the location, assaulted the victim, and stole the Challenger.

On April 13, 2021, two 16-year-old males attempted to steal merchandise from Wawa located at 3601 Wrangle Hill Road, Bear. When confronted by the store clerk, the suspects physically assaulted him.

Over the course of the week, multiple police agencies worked together to investigate similar cases occurring in their jurisdictions. Through the collaborative efforts, the agencies discovered a large number of vehicle thefts and residential burglaries had occurred throughout New Castle County.

Investigative leads were formed, and officers obtained information on the identity of suspects, and four stolen vehicles were recovered.

On April 16, 2021, troopers observed the stolen Dodge Challenger from the Philadelphia Pike carjacking, and a traffic stop was conducted on the vehicle. At the time of the traffic stop, seven juveniles were apprehended.

The juveniles were taken into custody and transported to Troop 2 where they were processed and arraigned. The following juveniles were charged with crimes related to the Delaware State Police cases:

16-year-old male of New Castle

- 2 counts- Robbery 2nd Degree (Felony)
- Attempted Robbery 2nd Degree (Felony)
- 2 counts- Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- 3 counts- Conspiracy 2nd Degree (Felony)
- Robbery 1st Degree (Felony)
- Multiple Traffic Violations

The 16-year-old male was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court #11 and issued a \$102,550.00 cash bond.

16-year-old male of Wilmington

- 2 counts- Receiving Stolen Property Over \$1,500 (Felony)
- Resisting Arrest With Force (Felony)
- 2 counts- Breach of Release
- Robbery 1st Degree (Felony)
- 2 counts- Conspiracy 2nd Degree (Felony)
- 2 counts- Theft of a Motor Vehicle (Felony)

The 16-year-old male was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court #11 and issued a \$68,500.00 cash bond.

15-year-old male of Wilmington

- 2 counts- Breach of Release

The 15-year-old male was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court #11 and issued a \$1,000.00 secured bond.

15-year-old female of Wilmington

- Robbery 2nd Degree (Felony)
- Wearing a Disguise During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Conspiracy 2nd Degree (Felony)

The 15-year-old female was arraigned in the Justice of the Peace Court #11 and issued a \$3,000.00 secured bond.

15-year-old female of Wilmington

- No charges from Delaware State Police

14-year-old female of Wilmington

- No New Charges – Released

14-year-old female of Wilmington

- No New Charges- Released

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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